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- 6. [] Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 8. [XX] Assignment to OLYMPUS OPTICAL CO., Tokyo, Japan; Recorded on May 15, 1995 at Reel: 7497 and Frame: 0560 0562; in the prior Application Serial No. 08/404,890, filed on March 16, 1995.

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- 9. [] 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)

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